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SUBJ: SUGAR: COPY OF PHILIPPINE AMCHAM TELEGRAM TO SEC.
BERGLAND

EMBASSY UNDERSTANDS AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE
PHILIPPINES SENT (MARCH 29) THE CABLE CITED BELOW TO
SECRETARY BERGLAND AS A RESULT OF ITC DECISION ON SUGAR:

BEGIN QUOTE:

WE UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAVE BEEN DESIGNATED AS THE
RESPONSIBLE CABINET OFFICER IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF A NEW
SUGAR PLAN FOR THE UNITED STATES AND WE THEREFORE RESPECTFULLY
REQUEST THAT YOU AND THOSE WORKING WITH YOU IN THIS EFFORT
GIVE SERIOUS AND FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION TO THE HISTORIC
POSITION OF PHILIPPINE SUGAR IN THE U.S. MARKET AS WELL AS
THE EXISTING CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE PHILIPPINES AND U.S.
SUGAR REFINERS UNDER WHICH THE PHILIPINES IS SUPPLYING THESE
REFINERS APPROXIMATELY 1.3 MILLION TONS PER ANNUM. WE ALSO
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REQUEST THAT YOU BEAR IN MIND THAT THE PHILIPPINE SUGAR
INDUSTRY AND ITS SUBSTANTIAL EXPORTS OF SUGAR TO THE
UNITED STATES OVER THE LAST 40 YEARS WERE ENCOURAGED
AND NURTURED BY THE UNITED STATES. THAT THE PHILIPPINES
HAS BEEN A FAITHFUL AND REGULAR SUPPLIER OF SUGAR TO THE
UNITED STATES FOR MANY YEARS AND THAT AN OVERALL U.S.
QUOTA LIMITATION ON FOREIGN SUGAR ON A FIRST-COME-FIRST

SERVE BASIS WOULD PLACE THE PHILIPPINES AT A DISTINCT
DISAVANTAGE BECAUSE OF ITS GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION SO
DISTANT FROM THE U.S. THAT THE PHILIPPINE SUGAR INDUSTRY
IS A MAJOR AND VERY IMPORTANT SEGMENT OF THE PHILIPPINE
ECONOMY AND IF PHILIPPINE SUGAR IS SUBSTANTIALLY EXCLUDED
FROM THE U.S. MARKET THE PHILIPPINE ECONOMY WILL BE
ADVERSELY AFFECTED, INCLUDING THE BUSINESSES OF THE 280
MEMBERS OF THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF THE
PHILIPPINES. WE STRONGLY URGE AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO
ENSURE THAT THE PHILIPPINES, WHICH HAS HAD A LONG STANDING
SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP WITH THE UNITED STATES, WILL CONTINUE
TO BE THE MAJOR FOREIGN SUPPLIER OF SUGAR TO THE UNITED
STATES. THE ECONOMIC STABILITY OF THE PHILIPPINES AS AN
IMPORTANT ALLY OF THE UNITED STATES IN THE WESTERN PACIFIC
WE BELIEVE SHOULD ALSO BE AN IMPORTANT POLICY CONSIDERATION
AND THE ECONOMIC WELL-BEING OF THE PHILIPPINES IS IN LARGE
MEASURE DEPENDENT ON THE STABILITY AND WELL-BEING OF THE
SUGAR INDUSTRY. VERY TRULY YOURS, THE AMERICAN CHAMBER OF
COMMERCE OF THE PHILIPPINES, JAMES H. BRENNAN, PRESIDENT.
END QUOTE

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